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BELLARY THERMAL POWER PROJECT
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Karnataka had requested the Union Government to accord Mega Power Project Status to Bellary Thermal Power Station in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the decision taken by the Union Government thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) to (c) : Government of Karnataka had requested Union Government to accord Mega Power Project Status to Bellary Thermal Power Station in the State of Karnataka. As per the existing policy of Government of India, the Mega Power Project status is currently available to the new thermal power projects having capacity of 1000 MW and above. Bellary Thermal Power Station was being executed for 500 MW capacity in Stage-I and there was a proposal to expend it by another 500 MW capacity in Stage-II. Since Bellary Thermal Power Project does not fulfill the criteria laid down for according Mega Power status, it was not accorded Mega Power Status.